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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-24. (Canceled)

25. (Currently Amended) A solid detergent composition comprising:

(a) an effective deterative amount of a neutralized anionic surfactant wherein the neutralized anionic surfactant comprises a result of neutralizing:

(i) about 1 wt.% to about 70 wt.% of an anionic surfactant comprising alkyl benzene sulfonate; and

(ii) an effective neutralizing amount of at least one of alkali metal salt, alkaline metal earth salt, and mixtures thereof;

(b) ~~an effective deterative amount~~ about 0.1 wt.% to about 15 wt.% of an alkyl polyglycoside surfactant;

(c) ~~an effective deterative amount~~ about 1 wt.% to about 30 wt.% of an alcohol alkoxylate;

(d) an effective hardening amount of polyethylene glycol having a molecular weight of about 1,000 to 100,000;

wherein the solid detergent composition is provided in the form of a block dispensed from a mixer by extruding or casting; and

wherein the pH of the dissolved solid composition in an aqueous solution is less than about or equal to 9.

26. (Previously Presented) A solid detergent composition according to claim 25, wherein the composition further comprises an effective hardening amount of a hydratable salt.

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27. (Previously Presented) A solid detergent composition according to claim 26, wherein the composition comprises up to about 50 wt.% of the hydratable salt, based on the weight of the detergent composition.

28. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 25, wherein the composition comprises about 3 wt.% to about 15 wt.% of the polyethylene glycol.

29. (Canceled)

30. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 28, wherein the polyethylene glycol has a molecular weight of from about 1,450 to about 20,000.

31. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 25, wherein the composition further comprises an effective hardening amount of inorganic salt.

32. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 31, wherein the inorganic salt comprises acetate salt.

33. (Canceled)

34. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 25, wherein the neutralized anionic surfactant comprises a result of neutralizing with a mixture of alkali metal salt and alkaline earth salt.

35. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 34, wherein the alkyl metal salt comprises a sodium salt, and the alkaline earth salt comprises a magnesium salt.

36. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 35, wherein the sodium salt and the magnesium salt are provided in a molar ratio of about 3:1 to about 1:1.

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37. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 35, wherein the molar ratio of the sodium salt to the magnesium salt is about 2:1.

38. (Canceled)

39. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 25, wherein the composition comprises about 35 wt.% to about 65 wt.% of the anionic surfactant.

40. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 25, wherein the alkyl polyglycoside surfactant comprises lauryl polyglycoside.

41. (Canceled)

42. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 25, wherein the composition comprises about 5 wt.% to about 10 wt.% of the alkyl polyglycoside surfactant.

43. (Canceled)

44. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 25, wherein the composition comprises about 5 wt.% to about 15 wt.% of the alcohol alkoxylate.

45. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 25, wherein the composition further comprises a bleaching agent.

46. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 25, wherein the composition further comprises a chelating agent.

47. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 25, wherein the composition further comprises a defoaming agent.

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48. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 25, wherein the composition further comprises an anti-redeposition agent.

49. (Canceled)

50. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 25, wherein the temperature of the composition is 50°C-150°C during formation.

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Support for Amendments

Claim 25 has been amended to incorporate features of claims 38, 41, and 43. Claim 25 has also been amended to recite "less than or equal to 9." These amendments are supported by original claims 38, 41, and 43, and at least at page 6, lines 14-15, and page 14, line 2. Claims 38, 41, and 43 have been canceled without prejudice. No new matter has been added. Claims 25-28, 30-32, 34-37, 39-40, 42, 44-48 and 50 are currently pending.